COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)
CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF) CASE NO.
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO) 2015-00051
CONSTRUCT TWO 161 KV TRANSMISSION)
LINES IN HANCOCK COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

ORDER

On April 7, 2015, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") filed an application seeking approval to construct two new 161 kilovolt ("kV") transmission lines in Hancock County, Kentucky. The proposed transmission lines are approximately 1.7 miles and 2.0 miles in length, respectively. The purpose of the proposed transmission lines is to serve a planned expansion of Aleris Rolled Products, Inc. ("Aleris"). Aleris is a customer of Kenergy Corp., which is one of three distribution cooperative members of Big Rivers.

KRS 278.020(8) requires the Commission to "issue its decision no later than ninety (90) days after the application is filed, unless the commission extends this period, for good cause, to one hundred twenty (120) days." Due to the nature of the case and the issues involved, the Commission finds that good cause exists in this matter to warrant such an extension.

In the exercise of its discretion pursuant to KRS 278.020(8), the Commission finds that it is necessary to hire an independent consultant to assist the Commission in reaching its decision. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.020(8) and KRS 278.255(3), the Commission will retain the services of QK4 Consulting.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be developed for the processing of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The time in which the Commission must issue its decision in this case is extended to 120 days.
- 2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix attached to this Order shall be followed.

By the Commission

ENTERED

MAY 01 2015

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Executive Director

Case No. 2015-00051

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00051 DATED MAY 0 1 2015

Requests for intervention shall be filed no later than	05/08/15
Any request for a public hearing pursuant to KRS 278.020(8) shall be filed no later than	05/15/15
All initial requests for information to Big Rivers shall be filed no later than	05/15/15
Big Rivers shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than	05/27/15
All supplemental requests for information to Big Rivers shall be filed no later than	06/08/15
Big Rivers shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than	06/19/15

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